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To: Members of the NOSB Livestock Committee

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Re: NOSB Livestock Committee Recommendation Pasture Requirements for the National Organic Program

The Organic Farmers' Agency for Relationship Marketing, Inc. (OFARM), is a marketing agency in common. We represent organic field crop cooperatives and farmer marketing associations with farmer members who produce grain, livestock and dairy in 22 states and Ontario, Canada.

We believe that the recommendations put forward by NOSB are fair and form the basis for a solid national pasture requirement that will uphold organic integrity and still be flexible enough to allow for regional differences in livestock production.

OFARM supports the NOSB's Livestock Committee recommendations as proposed and we urge adoption and implementation.

Sincerely,

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